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uses is said to be one quarter of the whole amount or about \$65,000 a year.

*The Journal of the American Medical Association* understands that one of the wealthy families of Chicago is arranging to endow, in a most liberal manner, an institution for the study and scientific investigation of infectious diseases. The details and particulars have not yet been made public, but it is reported that it will be second in importance only to that of the gift by Mr. Rockefeller.

*THE Publishers' Weekly* gives some information in regard to the export and import of books and other printed matter for the first nine months of the present year. The value of the imports is \$2,868,489, and of the exports \$2,592,268. As compared with the same period of last year, the imports have increased about \$360,000, and the exports about \$270,000.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

As a gift of a graduate, whose name is withheld, a new building will be erected at Harvard University at a cost of nearly \$100,000. The building will contain an auditorium having a seating capacity of about 1,000.

DR. GEORGE WOODWARD has made a gift of \$20,000 for the establishment of a Woodward Fellowship in Physiological Chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania.

RECENT contributions to the Oberlin College endowment fund are: C. B. and E. A. Shield, of Chicago, \$10,000; Merritt Starr, of Chicago, \$2,500; Dr. L. C. Warner, of New York, \$3,000 from a fund now held in trust by him.

MRS. L. J. WOOD, of Jamaica Plain, Mass., has given \$1,000 to the Physical Laboratory of the Johns Hopkins University for new apparatus.

It is reported in the daily papers that a recent decision of the United States District Court of the State of Michigan greatly increases the value of the estate of William Lampson, bequeathed to Yale University. By this decision the University comes into possession of land supposed to contain large quantities of copper.

THE building at the University of Michigan devoted to physics and chemistry is being remodeled, and the alterations are now well advanced.

THE list of graduate students in Cornell University for the current year is published. It includes the names of 163 candidates for advanced degrees; of these 96 are for Ph.D., 40 for A.M., 13 for M.M.E., 11 for M.S. in Agriculture, 2 for D.Sc., and 1 for M.C.E. There are 185 graduate students in regular university courses and 15 who are not candidates for any degree. Mr. J. W. Prince (C.M.) holds the Sibley Fellowship in M.E. and Mr. L. D. Crain (Perdue) the university fellowship in the same subject. Of the 15 candidates for no degree, 2 are in M.E. Of the 185 graduates, mainly A.B.'s in the regular courses, 60 are in M.E., 68 in medicine and the remainder in various courses.

THE department of botany, of the Iowa State University, conducted its first summer school of botany at Lake Okoboji during the summer. The session continued from July 27 to August 20, and proved very successful. The summer-school laboratory was located by Professor Macbride near Okoboji post office, a central point with respect to the most diversified botanical region in the State. The work was in charge of Assistant Professor B. Shimek, and consisted chiefly of field excursions and the subsequent elaboration and laboratory investigation of the material so secured.

It is announced that Professor Robert Craik, M.D., LL.D., dean of the faculty of medicine and Strathcona professor of hygiene and public health at McGill University, will resign his position and receive a seat on the Board of Governors. Dr. Craik has been connected with McGill for over half a century.

AT the University of Toronto, Dr. Howard Barnes has been appointed assistant professor of physics.

AT the University of Michigan, Messrs. A. M. Clover, R. F. Sanford and N. F. Harriman have been appointed instructors in the chemical laboratory, and Instructor G. O. Higley has returned from a year's leave of absence in Zurich.